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From: Commander, Naval Legal Service Command

Subj: ELIGIBILITY FOR VLC SERVICES

Ref: (a) SECDEF Memo of 14 Aug 13
(b) VCNO ltr 5800 Ser 00/13U100538 of 15 Aug 13
(c) National Defense Authorization Act of 2014,
Pub. L. No. 113-66, § 1716 (2013)
(d) ALNAV 087/14 dtd 14 Apr 15

1. Purpose. To clarify eligibility for Victims' Legal Counsel (VLC) services for victims of sexual offenses.

2. Background. Pursuant to references (a) through (c), the Navy Judge Advocate General's Corps established the Navy Victims' Legal Counsel Program (VLCP) in August 2013 to provide legal advice, assistance, and where applicable, advocacy to eligible victims of sexual offenses. Reference (d) initially established the policies and practices of the VLCP.

3. Policy. Consistent with references (a) through (c), VLCs will provide support to eligible individuals as delineated in paragraph 4 below.

4. Implementation. Eligibility for Navy VLC includes the following individuals whether they file an unrestricted or restricted report of sexual offense:

- a. Active duty and Reserve personnel;
- b. Other DOD Service personnel when assaulted by an active-duty Navy member;
- c. Retirees when assaulted by an active-duty Navy member;
- d. Dependents, including spouses and children, of active-duty Navy members when assaulted by an active-duty Navy member;

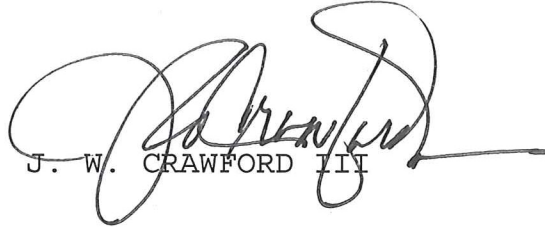
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e. Overseas Department of the Navy civilians, employed by, serving with, or accompanying the Armed Forces of the United States, when they are assigned to a foreign country or to a vessel or unit of the Armed Forces of the United States deployed in excess of 30 days having been the victim of a sexual offense by an active-duty Navy member;

f. Other persons authorized by the Judge Advocate General of the Navy.

5. Sexual assault victims not specifically identified in paragraph 4 above seeking VLC consultation may contact the nearest VLC office, which will forward the request to the Chief of Staff, VLCP, for review and final eligibility determination.

6. Cancellation Contingency. This notice will remain in effect until cancelled or superseded.



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